# **Investigations**

### **Mission**:

The Investigations Branch is responsible for the investigation of all major crimes that occur in York County. Major crimes are defined as murder, rape, robbery, assault, burglary, larceny, motor vehicle theft, and arson. This branch is also responsible for the investigation of drug-related crimes. Tasks associated with these investigations are crime scene search; evidence collection; interviewing witnesses and suspects; and presenting testimony in criminal trials.

# Goals:

- To investigate thoroughly and competently all major crimes that occur in York County.
- To identify, collect, and preserve all pertinent evidence present at the scene of major crimes.
- To present competent testimony relative to the investigation in the Courts of York County and work with the York County Commonwealth's Attorney's Office to ensure that persons that commit these crimes are successfully prosecuted.

## **Implementation Strategies for FY2003**:

- Research, test, and develop a plan for utilization of digital photography for evidence collection and preservation at crime scenes.
- Facilitate a collaborative effort between the Investigations Division, Victim-Witness Assistance Program, Commonwealth's Attorney, and Child protective Services focusing on child sexual assault investigations.
- To continue to provide the community with thorough and timely investigations by providing competent trained investigators with state-of-the-art criminal investigative resources.

#### **Budget Issues:**

- In FY1999, additional positions included a lieutenant investigator's position and a parttime secretary. The position of Captain of Investigations was transferred to Law Enforcement from this activity.
- For FY2003, there are no significant changes.

General Fund Expenditures	FY1999 Actual Expenditures	FY2000 Actual Expenditures	FY2001 Actual Expenditures	FY2002 Original Budget	FY2002 Expected Appropriations	FY2003 Proposed Budget
30313 Investigations						
Personnel Services	476,890	489,671	542,965	562,260	562,260	560,030
Contractual Services	5,887	6,744	6,770	6,300	6,300	7,200
Internal Services	48,470	52,834	42,696	44,000	44,000	50,250
Other Charges	13,418	9,785	12,822	14,500	14,500	16,200
Materials & Supplies	14,145	17,976	13,771	20,200	20,200	20,300
Capital Outlay	17,274	-	10,084	5,000	5,000	7,750
Grant Activity	4,929					
Activity Total	581,013	577,010	629,108	652,260	652,260	661,730
Percentage Change	4.41%	-0.69%	9.03%	3.68%	N/A	1.45%
FTE's						
Management Professional/Technical Admin/Clerical Specialized Safety Total	0.50 9.00 9.50	0.50 9.00 9.50	0.50 9.00 9.50	0.50 9.00 9.50	0.50 9.00 9.50	0.50 9.00 9.50

